508. [*Transferred to the 20th November, 1987*].

Major maintenance of aircraft at London

509. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India has flown one of its Boeing 747 to London for major maintenance; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. In view of the additional maintenance work load on the older 747 aircraft compounded with certain industrial relations problem, extra sectional flights of 747 caused the despatch of 747 aircraft to London for maintenance.

Expenditure Incurred on Maintenance of Stadia

510. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what was the annual expenditure incurred by Sports Authority of India on the maintenance of various stadia during the last three years;

(b) what is the facility for residential accommodation for athletes etc. at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium; and

(c) whether there have been any complaints that accommodation is not up to the mark?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) The actual expenditure incurred by Sports Authority of India on the maintenance of various stadia during the last three years is given below:—

	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87
	(Rs. in Lakhs)		
Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium	32 05	55 46	50 32
National Stadium	6 04	19 27	16 57
Talkatora Swimming Pool	28 46	25 02	26 32
Hauz Khas Lawn Tennis Stadium	0 91	2 17	4 49
Tughlakabad Shooting Ranges	9 60	12 62	20 72
Yamuna Velodrome	3 70	9 81	7 48

(c) and (b) In the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, residential wing with accommodation for about 400 sportpersons is run with normal boarding and lodging facilities. There have however, been times when the normal capacity had to be stretched to cope with increased demands. On such occasions, there have been some complaints about the accommodation provided. Complaints/suggestions as and when received are attended to promptly.

Air India's Flights to Important International Cities

511. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new important international centres proposed to be connected directly with Indian cities by Air India's direct flights during the next there years;